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Big Island High School

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# Meet the Teachers

Mr. G. R. Bird, principal of Big Island Ligh School, spent most of his summer attending classes at University of Virginia. He attended both the regular session and interse is on there. He is working for his Masters De-gree and by the way he will re-ceive his sheepskin next sum-mer.

mer.
Mrs. Mariha Eberhardi, teacher of English and Social Studies at Big Island High School, spont an enjoyable summer highligh; ed by a trip that included visits in Gettysburg and Philadelphia, Pa., several days at Rehobath Beach, Delaware, and sight see-ing in Washington, D. C., and Richmond, Va.

The mysterious person you might see while passing through the halls of Big Island High School is none other than Miss Phyllis Hockman, our Home Ec-onomics instructor. Her home town is Fairfield, where she grew up and graduated from high school. She also graduated from Madison College, majoring in Home Economics.

Miss Nelle Harris, instructor in Math, Biology, Chemistry and Latin, and sponsor of the 9th grade attended Randolph-Macon College at which she got an A B. Degree in Math and Engush. This summer she visited a cousin in Alavista and another cousin in Long Island. Miss Harrs also attended summer school this summer.

Mr. Willis Oglesby, instructor in physical education and social a-udies at Big Island High School, managed to find time this summer for a tr.p to Virginia Beach and his houby, fishing, while holding down a regular job.

Mr. C. W. Callahan, industrial arts teacher at Big Island, en-need a three-day fishing trip near Norfolk this summer in adostion to taking a summer school course in hoanoke and having "plenty to do around home."

Mrs. J. C. Oliver, librarian of Big Island School, spent her vacation at home due to the ill-

Mus Gwendolyn Page, teacher of the seventh grade, spent most of her time at home entertaining her company. Her only vacation was a trip to Music Week at Massanctia Springs, Virginia,

grade teacher, spent the week-end with relatives in Newport Vincinia. While there she visited Backroe Beach and Yorktown. She also attended a per-formance of the Common Glory before returning home. Accompanying her on the trip was Mr. Wilson and her daughter Marthin.

Miss June Hylton, 23 years old. fifth grade teacher at Big Island. is originally from Bonnoke, Virginla. She attended Madison College and majored in voice. College and majored in voice. The ten'h grade has moved into Miss Hyllon likes sports in sen- the library and some of the (Continued on Page 2)

# Class of '53



First row left to right—Mary Reynolds, president; Charlie Sanderson, vice president; Dorothy Ballowe; Joyce Collier, Secretary; Patsy Mitchell, treasurer; Jimmy Furr. Second row, left to right—Tommy Booker, Voorheis Wright, Ronnie Rice, Elory Cornelius, Alice Wilson, Billy Booker, reporter; Mrs. Eberhardt, aponsor.

# Improvements Made At Big **Island School**

By MARY WILLOUGHBY

Mr. G. R. Bird, principal of the Big Island High School an-nounced that many changes have been made in order to improve the school this year.

Rooms of the school have painted and more desks have been added to the rooms that needed them. A better system is being used this year in selling lunch tickets. The tickets are sold in the hall in the morning by the teachers, who are on bus This is more satisfactory as the rooms do not have to be

disturbed after the classes begin. Many of our clubs are still active, but a few of the inactive ones have been discontinued and other clubs have been added. The Eighth Grade Talent club and the Beta club, a national honorary club, are some of the new ones that have been added.

Arrangements have been made to make room for some of the room enough in their own room. (Continued on Page 3)

### Meet the Class of '53

Once upon a time-in 1949-to be exact-we the Class of 1953, were Freshmen. From that first, excitement filled year, we have advanced finally to the status of Juniors, with two full and interesting years of high school behind us behind us.

We had the distinction of being the first class to complete the new eighth grade in our school and will have completed the vessel of work, instead of the usual eleven, when we graduate.

Under the guldance of our able sponsors, Mr. Ogleaby in our Freshmen year, and Mrs. Eberhardt in our cophomore year, we have progressed steadily to-We select ward our final goal. class colors-maroon ed aray-and the motto "Toward New Horizons." Our class flow-"Toward er is the yellow rose.

The highlight of our Sophomore year was entertaining the Senior class at a banquet and dance. This year as a class we attended a college football game and look forward to receiving our class rings in the spring. Under the capable leadership of our sponsor, Mrs. Eberhardt, and our president, Mary Reynolds, we hope to accomplish much more this year before going on to our Senior year.

# **Telletorium Begins Subscription Drive**

By PATSY MITCHELL
Telletorium! Telletorium! Wanna buy a Telletorium? The contest to sell subscriptions to the school paper, the Telletorium, is now in full swing. Who will win? We will have to be patient and see, for there are some mighty close contestants. It is hoped every home represented in the school will subscribe to the Telletorium.

A prize of \$5.00 will be awarded the winner and \$3.00 will be given the runner-up.

A subscription to the Telletorium is 75c a school year or 15c single copy.

single copy.

Let's do our part to help the staff by buying a subscription, so that the Telletorium may reach

# **Opening Assembly** Held September 6

The opening of school usually calls for an assembly and this year it was held on Sept. 6, 1951 with Mr. Bird presiding.

The assembly opened with the song "Onward Christian Soldiers," sung by everyone.

diers," sung by everyone.

The devotional was given by the Rev. E. S. Vaughn, whose main thought was "What kind of day are we living in?" After the devotional another song "My Faith Looks Up To Thee."

Mr. Cecil Curry representing the Ruritan Club gave an interesting talk and stated that the Ruritan Club was willing to help the school in any way it could.

Mr. Bird also made an interesting speech to those present after which he introduced the teachers, some of whom have been at Big Island for several years, others who are here for the first than

The assembly was adjourned after the singing of "America."

### Have You Joined the Crusade for Freedom?

As the appeal comes to us as individual citizens, we may join the Crusade for Freedom, as our

challenge to world communism. Sixteen million Americans responded to the appeal in order that the World Freedom Bell be erected in Berlin as a permanent symbol of free men's determination to resist aggression. By their contribution of \$1.317. 000 gave Radio Free Europe most powerful transmitter in the free world.

More stations are badly needed and as this opportunity comes through the 1951 Crusade for Freedom, let's give our support to help reach the goal of 25 mil-

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> Big Island High School, Big Island, Virginia, October 17, 1951

Dear Advertisers:

The staff of the Telletorium would like to thank you for lending us a helping hand again this year.

Without your support we would be unable to maintain our present standards.

We urge our subscribers to read your advertisements and support them with their patronage. And we sincerely thank you.

Yours truly, THE STAFF.

# Our Purpose

This is the beginning of another school year and we on the Telletorium staff hope to make it an even better and more successful year for us and for you.

Our purpose is to provide the student body and their parents with a newspaper which contains our school news "in print"-news of interest and importance.

We are asking that each organization elect a reporter, if they have not already done so, to write up the organization's meetings.

A school paper should to a certain extent, cater to the interests and thoughts of its readers. We shall attempt this year to run a series of guest editorials written on timely subjects of interest to all of us.

Not only are we going to have guest editorials, but with your cooperation, participation, and interest, we hope to have a really valuable column devoted to "Letters to the Editor."

We are counting on you to take an interest in your paper and support it to the Nth degree. If there is anything you want to say—please write it down and tell us. We want you to contribute as well as criticize.

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# Meet the Teachers and Cooper.

(Continued from Page 1) eral and has no favorite sport Her favorite movie stars are Betty Grable and Allen Ladd.

Miss Marie Day, who has the fourth grade at Big Island, enjoyed a trip to Williamsburg this summer, where she saw "Ins Common Glory."

Mrs. David Mitchell, " hose hometown is in Bedford, teaches the second grade. During the summer vacation are didn't go any particular place. Her hopby is drawing and her school room is always attractive

The first grade teacher, Miss Dorothy Burnette, is 20 and comes from Bedford. She at-tended Moneta High School and Longwood College where she ma-jored in elementary education. Her hobbies are playing the pl-ano and reading good books. Miss Burnette is a Baptist and attends church regularly. Miss Burnette says she also likes to see good movies, particularly those in which young stars such as June Allyson play.

Miss Clara Richardson, 19 year old third grade teacher, graduat-ed from Marion College at Marion, Virginia this May. She is short, attractive, and very friend-ly. She attended Honnarock Lutheran High School.

Miss Richard on lists as her hobbles sports, especially tennis and reading. She likes most types of hooks but chooses historical novels as her favorite. Her favorite movie stars are Doris Day and Gene Nelson. Her surance policy for the future.

favorite authors are Longfellow

Mrs. Ethel Arrington, third grade teacher at Big Island High School, spent her summer vaca-tion in Charlemont and then prepared to teach school again.

Mrs. Sutherland spent most of her vacation at her home in Bed-ford, Virginia. She enjoyed a trip to Cliptwood, Virginia, after which Mrs. Sutherland prepar-ed for another year at Big Island High School.

#### Fourth Graders Contribute Gifts for Children of Korea

The Fourth Grade students have been enjoying a study of Korea. During the study the class decided to bring clothes, soaps and teoth paste to send to the children there. The box has been completed and mailed, and the fourth graders are anxiously awaiting to hear about its arrival.

There are more automobiles than locomotives, but that doesn't mean the majority is always right.

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# Class Officers Chosen for '51-52

During the first few days of school the high school classes elected officers, class motio class colors and class flower

They are as follows:

Eleventh Grade

President—Mary Reynolds

Vice President—Charlie San-

Secretary—Joyce Collier Treasurer—Patsy Mitchell Reporter—Billy Booker Class Colors—Maroon Grey

Class Flower-Yellow rose Motto-"Toward New Horlzons'

Sponsor-Mrs. Martha Eber-

Tenth Grade President—Joyce Camden Vice President—Charles Costa Secretary—James Turpin Treasurer—Leroy Arthur Reporter—Jean Turner

Class Flower-White Rose, Motto-"Not at the Top But Climbing." Class Colors—Green and white Sponsor—Miss Phyllis Hock-

Ninth Grade President—Ann Melton Vice President — Emma Jane Peters

Secretary—Billy Hudson Treasurer—Marion Phillips Reporter-Rosa Ann Dawton Class Flower—White Orchid Class Colors—Blue and White Motto—Forward Ever, Back-

ward Never."
Sponsor—Miss Nellie Harris

Eighth Grade

President—Nancy Manley Vice President — Norma Mc-Neely

Secretary and Treasurer-Nan-

Reporter-Emma Lou Sander-

class Flower-White Rose
Class Colors-Blue and White
Motto-"With the Ropes, We
Shall Ring the Bells of the Fu-

# Students Attend Football Game

By BILLY BOOKER
On the 29th of September, the
Senior Class, an invited guest
and Mr. and Mrs. Eberhardt journeyed to Charlottesville to see a football game at Scott Stadium. The University of Virginia played George Washington University in the opening game of the season.

The group traveled to Lynch-burg by car where they joined Mr. and lars. Eberhardt and then proceeded to Charlottesville in two cars.

After enjoying a good meal and a brief tour of the college grounds, the group headed for che stadium, in a game that was enjoyed by all, the University of Virginia defeated George Washington University 20-0. An interesting feature of the game was a procession led by Princess Albemarle and her court

After the game, the group left the stadium wi h plans to meet in a restaurant in Lynchburg. Following supper at the restaurant the return trip to Big Island was completed after a most en-

was completed after a most enjoyable day.

Those who attended the football game from Big Island were Voorheis Wright, Jimmy Furr, Patsy Mitchell, Tommy Booker, Joyce Collier, Dorothy Ballowe, Billy Booker, Grace Day, and Mr. Eherbardt. and Mrs. Eberhardt.

### Sixth Grade Strives To Hit "Bull's-Eve"

In an effort to promote better spelling the Sixth Gradd pupils made a spelling target Bach pu-pil who makes a hundred has his name put in the red center cir-cie "bulls-eye" Those making be-tween 90 and 99 have their name put in the blue circle. The green circle indicates those making between 80 and 89. The yellow circle holds those making a score of 70 to 79. No pupil's name is put up if he has a score of less than 70.

Mrs. Wilson is happy to report that they have 12 names in the red circle now, while there were only eight last week.

Jerry Trevey, Betty Day, Sher-man Davis, Ernest Manley, Steve Tomlinson, Phyllis Martin, and Esther Dawson have made 100 both times.

Junior 4-H Organizes by Grades

The Junior 4H Club met October 4, 1951, for their first meeting of the year. It was decided to let each grad organize its own club instead of having just one combined club. The grades taking part in it are the Fifth, Sixth and Seventh and their officers are as follows:

Fifth Grade—President, Dorothy White; vice president, Dickie Woodfin; secretary-treas-

Dickie Woodin; secretary-treasurer, Fay Thomas; reporter, Jewel With Sixth Grade—President, Jerry Trever; vice president, Phyllis Martin; secretary-treasurer, Nancy Remsey; reporter, Steve Tominson; club leaders, Esther Dawson Kenneth Martin; song Dawson, Kenneth Martin; song leaders, Betty Lou Day, Robert

Seventh Grade — President, Richard Nichols; vice president, Don Burks; secretary-treasurer, Roberta Arrington; reporter, Harry Wright.

The Fifth and Sixth Grades are taking the following projects: girls, landscaping; boys, electricity, cattle, poultry and beautification of the grounds.

The Seventh Grade hasn't yet decided what it will take up as a Seventh Grade -

decided what it will take up as a project for the year.

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#### Honor Roll for First 6 Weeks

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First Grade—Mrs. Sutherland. sponsor, Robert Shepherd, Jean Goff. Cecil Ramsey, Rebecca Dawson Ray Toiley, Glendine

sponsor, Jane Dawson, Lola/Cannon, Frank Beckman, Beverley
Hughes, Steward Knight.
Third Grade—Miss Richardson, sponsor, Alice Burks, Mickey
Douglas, Vincent Tanner.

Fourth Grade—Miss Day, spon-sor, Rip Hoich, Danny Mason, Eddie Arthur, Kay Hensley, Billy Williams, Betty Lee St. John, Nellie Wood, Jeanne Ramsey, Jeanette Rice, Ann Tomlinson, Eleanor Tomlin, Coretta Hensley, Norma Jean Markham.

Fifth Grade — Miss Hylton, spensor, Ronald Day, Franklin Revnolds, Wray Tomlinson, Faye Thomas, Shirley Turpin, Dorothy White, Jewel Wise.

Sixth Grade — Mrs. Wilson, spensor Not any.

Seventh Grade — Miss Page

sponsor Not any.

Seventh Grade — Miss Page sponsor. Not any.

Eighth Grade — Mr. Oglesbr sponsor, Phyllis Wilson, Emma Lou Sanderson, Nancy Rice.

Ninth Grade — Miss Harris

sponsor, Billy Hadson, Ann Melton, Betty Ramsey, Nancy Taylor, Tenth Grade—Miss Hockman, onsor, Joyce Camden, Macon

hardt, sponsor, Voorheis Wright, Mary Reynolds, Joyce Collier, Tommy Booker and Billy Booker.

#### Serum Given Pre-School Children

On October 26, 1951, W. P. Jackson, County Health Doctor and his assistant, Miss B. L. Shook, visited the school in order to give diphtheria toxold and smallpox vaccine to children under six years of age. Pre-school children were given the serums and also some already attending school. Ten diphtheria toxoids and twelve smallpox vaccines were given. These serums were given without charge by the County Health Department. By DOROTH REYNOLDS

Price rollbacks may be neces-sary, but how can we go full a

#### Barter Players Present "Merchant of Venice"

The Barter Players delighted a large audience Thursday night, Oct. 18, with their version of "The Merchant of Venice" by

Shakespeare.

An outstanding portrayal of Shylock was given by Woodrow Romoff, and Hugh Mosher also gave a brilliant performance in the role of Antonio.

Patricia O'Connell as Portia ave a good performance and evel ed excellent support from

Strauss portrayed Jestica, the daughter of Shylock with feeling. Other cast members gave fine performances in their roles. Colorful sound effects and designs, musical backgrounds, songs and ballet made the play outgranding in every way.

standing in every way.

Students from Big Island were encouraged to attend and many took advantage of the oppor-

### High School Boys Engy Field Trip

BILLY HUDSON

The boys of Big Island High School enjoyed the day of Oc-tober 12th by going on a field trip to State quarry, a near by camping site. The boys went on one
of the school's buses, driven by
Mr. E. G. Reynolds The group
stent the day hiking, fishing,
and talking sround a campfire.
The trip was thoroughly enjoyed
by all of the boys.

The boys who went on the trip were Tommy Booker, Billy Broker, Jimmie Furr, Charlie Turpin, Lloyd Phillips, Leroy Arthur, Earl Hensley, Carl Arrington, Herbert Fitzerald, Bobby Brown, Randy Williams, Bobby Taylor, Charles Costa, Arthur Burks, Pendleton Shepherd, and Howard Tomlin. Mr. C. W. Callahan, shop instructor, and Mr. W. P. Oglesby, one of the high school teachers, were in charge of the group.

Physcians never have to pres-cribe the rest cure for merchants who do not advertise.

Girls have always married to get a home of their own, but nowadays they seldem stay in it.

When things don't come your way, it's high time for you to be going out after shem.

If it is true that experience is sary, but how can we go full a good teacher, some people speed ahead by going in reverse, should have a liberal education.

### The Mysterious Sound By JOYCE CAMDEN

The time was midnight, and I was sleeping peacefully, with pleasant dreams wandering round in my head. This peaceful sleep didn't last long, for all at once I was awakened by an awful rasping sound. At first I was too startled to move, but the second time I heard it I cut on the light and up I got. I went to the top of the stairs. The noise sounded as if it were right first I dian't know what to do.

After hearing a few more of these rasping sounds, I squared my shoulders and down the steps I went. When I got downstairs I still could hear the noise but it wasn't down there, so I started down to the basement. I opened the basement door and right there on the top step was a big there on the top step was a hig mass of white fur and from this was coming this awful sound. I looked a little closer and then the thing looked at me with two very sorrowful eyes, it was then I realized it was our dog. He was choked on a chicken bone, this making him give out the awful sound. The mystery was therefore solved. Don't you think I'm a good detective?

### Red Cross Drive Begins

The school has started collecting money for the Red Cross, with Miss Marie Day, Fourth grade teacher, in charge of the

grades and the enrollment fee is one dollar for each high school room.

### **Boys Elect Physical** Ed. Captains

The high school boys elected their physical education team captains. They are as follows; Eighth and Ninth Grades, Bobby Brown, Billy Hudson; Tenth and Eleventh Grades, Macon Putney, Jimmy Furr.

These captains give exercise and lead the teams in their various sports.

#### **Enrollment Remains**

Our school enrollment remains about the same as last year. The enrollment for last year was 394 while this year it is 305. There are 302 pupils in the elementary department and 90 in the high

#### Enclosure Protects Ice Cream Box

A few improvements have been made in the lunchroom this year. One of the main improvements was building an enclosure around the ice cream box. The purpose of this was to keep the children from hanging around the box. It is also less confusing to the ones who are selling the ice cream.

### Glee Club Is Organized

On September 26, 1951 the Glee Club held their first meeting. This meeting was to select new members and elect the officers. The officers are as follows: president, Macon Fuiney; vice president, Tommy Booker; secretary and treasurer, Billy pin. The membership this year

grades and the enrollment fee is one dollar for each high school room.

We hope to make this drive an outstanding club in '51.

By JAMES TURPHI

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